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Committee Bill No. 6184

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Introduced by:
(TRA)

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FLASHING RED OR WHITE LIGHTS AND AMBER LIGHTS ON A VEHICLE BEING OPERATED BY A LOCAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 14-96p of the
2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

4 (3) A vehicle being operated by the chief executive officer of an
5 emergency medical service organization, as defined in section 19a-175,
6 the first or second deputies, or if there are no deputies, the first or
7 second assistants, of such an organization that is a municipal or
8 volunteer or licensed organization, an ambulance, as defined in section
9 19a-175, a vehicle being operated by a local fire marshal or a local
10 director or deputy director of emergency management may use a
11 flashing red light or lights or flashing white head lamps and a flashing
12 amber light while on the way to the scene of an emergency, except that
13 an ambulance may use flashing lights of other colors specified by
14 federal requirements for the manufacture of such vehicle. The chief
15 executive officer of each such organization shall provide annually

16 during the month of January, on forms provided by the commissioner,
17 such officer's name and address and the registration number on the
18 number plate or plates of the vehicle on which the authorized red light
19 is or white head lamps and amber light are to be used. A vehicle being
20 operated by a member of a volunteer fire department or company or a
21 volunteer emergency medical technician may use flashing white head
22 lamps, provided such member or emergency medical technician is on
23 the way to the scene of a fire or medical emergency and has received
24 written authorization from the chief law enforcement officer of the
25 municipality to use such head lamps. Such head lamps shall only be
26 used within the municipality granting such authorization or from a
27 personal residence or place of employment, if located in an adjoining
28 municipality. Such authorization may be revoked for use of such head
29 lamps in violation of this subdivision.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2011	14-96p(a)(3)

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize the use of flashing red or white lights and amber lights on a vehicle being operated by a local deputy director of emergency management.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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